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A whisper roused the drowsy earth,
Saying: rejoice in thy new birth!
Awake! and put thy fresh life forth.

I rustled through the tree-tops bare,
Asking, why wave ye idly there?
Know ye not, buds are fresh and fair?

It murmured in the brooklets flow
The river waits for thee below,
Hasten! for thou hast far to go.

With calm and peaceful soothing rife
It swept across the ocean's strife,
And stirred the ice-bound ships to life.

It rippled through the blue-bird's song,
Bidding each wanderer speed along,
And join to make the music strong.

And growing ever strong and clear,
It filled each human heart with cheer,
Telling its message—Spring is here!

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